



Service Authorization and Utilization:

*Putting the Pieces
Together to Optimize
Consumer Treatment
and Outcomes*

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What works for our LME?

What does not work for our LME?

Would our methods work for your LME?

Start With a Plan



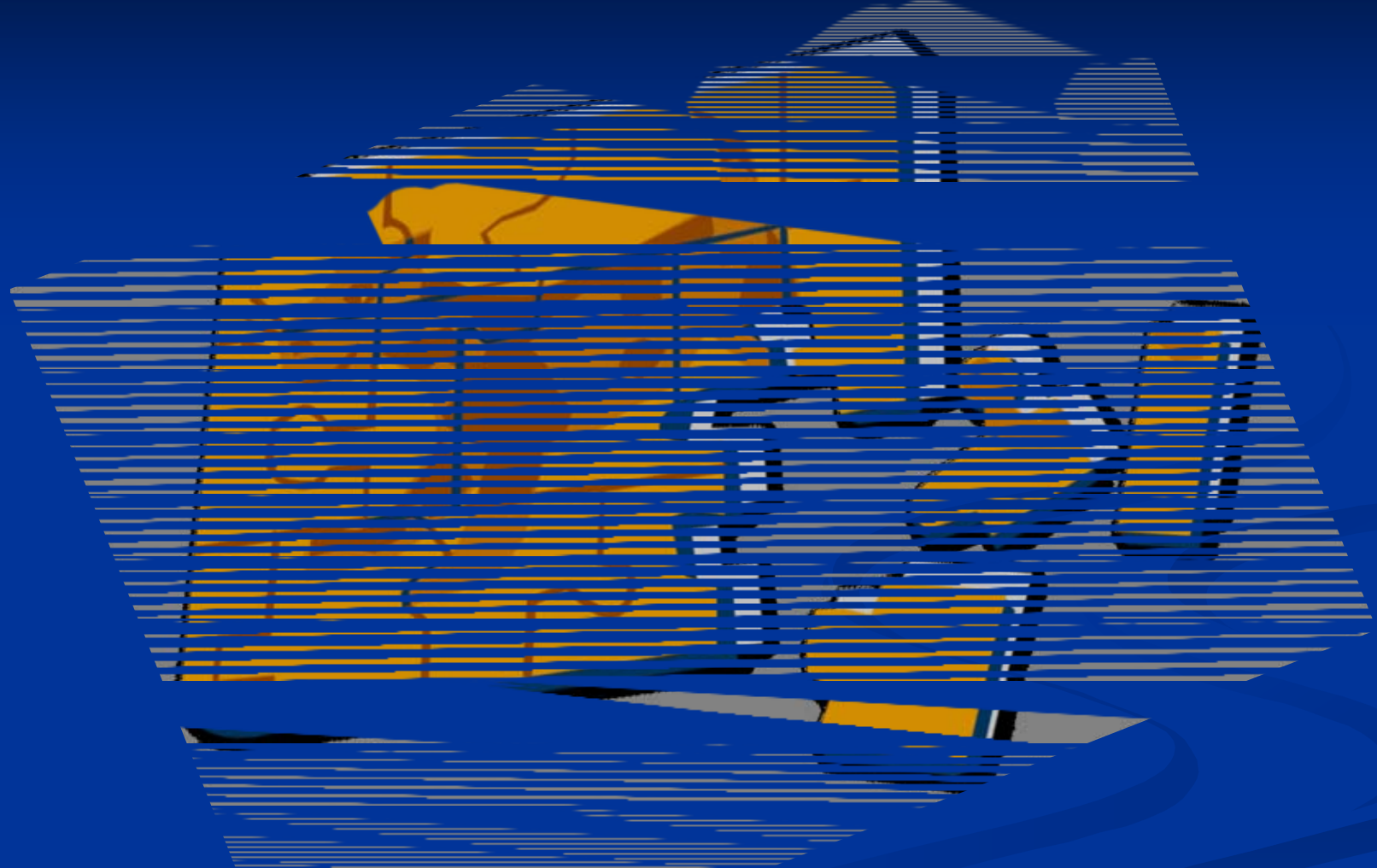
Who is being served?

- ❖ Demographic information
- ❖ Target population(s)
- ❖ Service funding source

Who is serving these consumers?

- ❖ Consumer admissions/transfers
- ❖ Actual services authorized
- ❖ Provider caseload

We have the individual pieces...



How are we putting them together?

How well are these consumers being served?

We examine service quality by using:

- ❖ Access and timeliness
- ❖ System triggers
- ❖ High utilization
- ❖ Outcome measure compliance
- ❖ Provider monitoring database

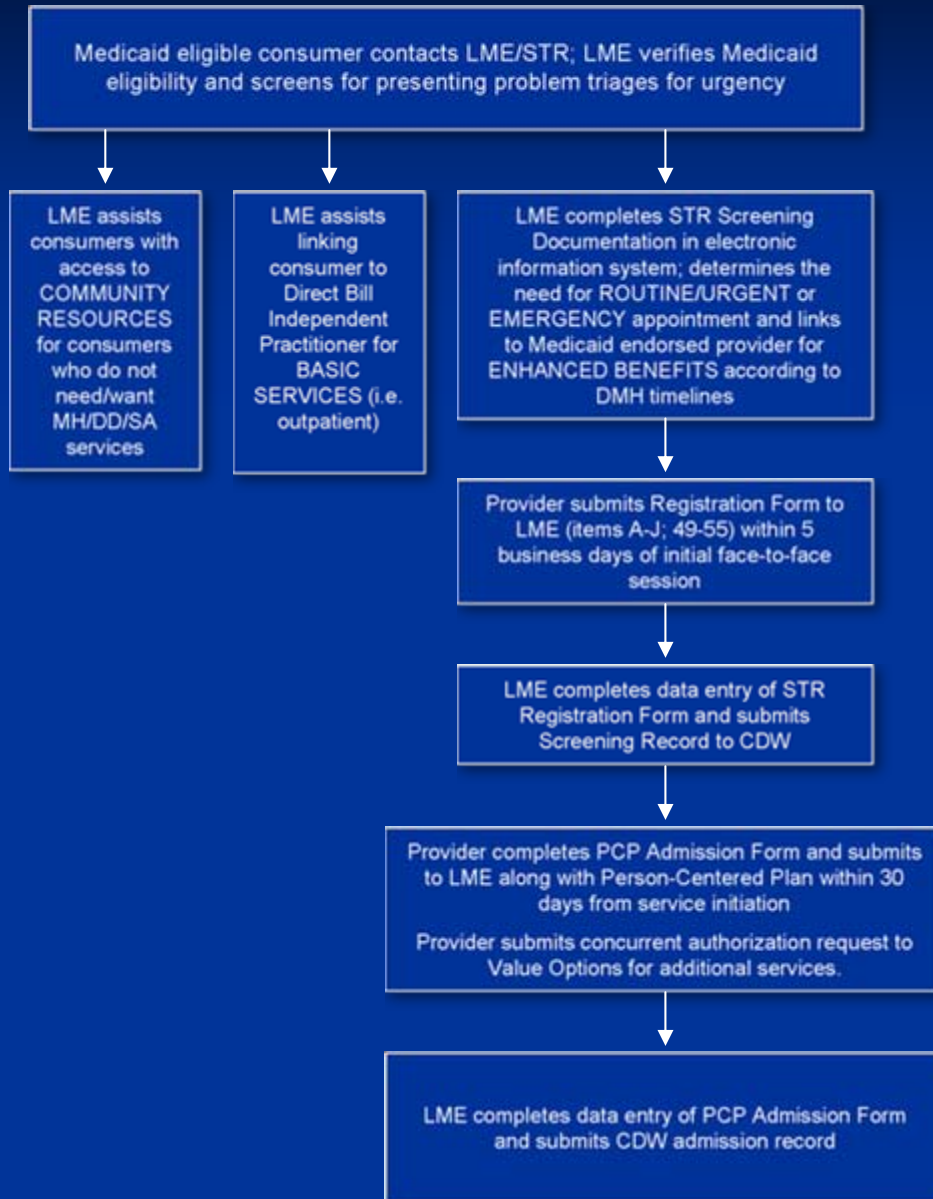
Access and Timeliness

Goal: Monitor consumer flow to ensure timely access to requested services

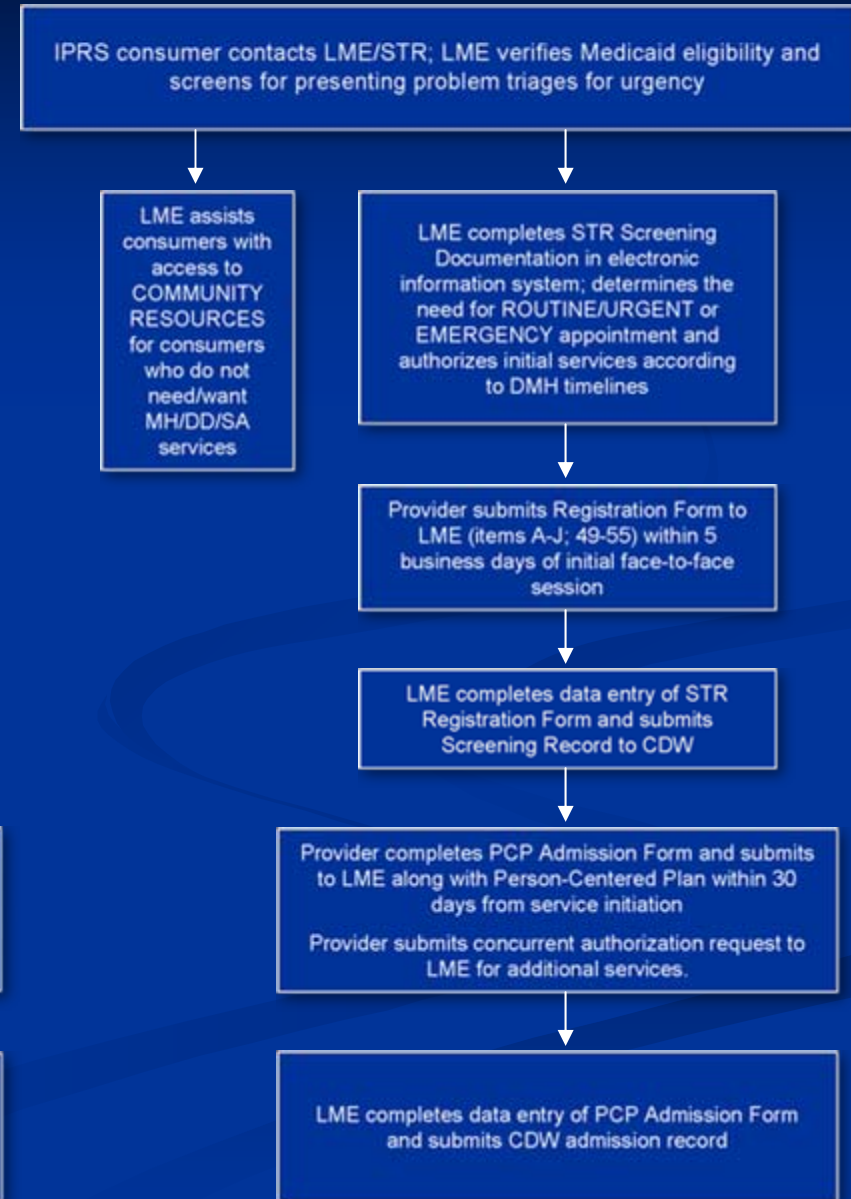
- ❖ Crisis facility screening/intake data
- ❖ LME screening data
- ❖ Intake tracking data by STR staff
- ❖ Additional follow-up with providers

SERVICE REQUEST THROUGH STR WORKFLOW

MEDICAID CONSUMERS



NON-MEDICAID CONSUMERS



System Triggers

Goal: Connect consumers with most appropriate best practice/EBP

- ❖ Utilize reports from liaisons (community, hospital, jail, juvenile justice, social services, peer support)
- ❖ Perform case reviews
- ❖ Examine UM service recommendations

High Utilization

Goal: Track high utilizers across all systems to perform adequate follow-up

- ❖ Currently focus on hospital utilization
- ❖ Automatically obtain consumer's history of hospitalization over the past year
- ❖ Easily identify consumers with hospital stays of 20+ days for intensive follow-up
- ❖ Plan to incorporate jail, crisis center and other area hospital data as well

Outcome Measure Compliance

Goal: Link admissions & authorizations to completion of outcome measures

- ❖ Create PCP tracking database
- ❖ Compare in-house data with state-reported LME compliance
- ❖ Continuously improve provider knowledge & accountability for measure completion

Provider Monitoring

Goal: Database tracks activity in the following areas:

- ❖ Clinical Quality Review
- ❖ Endorsement
- ❖ Incident
- ❖ Routine
- ❖ Technical Assistance

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Goal: Database tracks activity in the following areas:

- ❖ Post-Payment Reviews
- ❖ CS – Audit POC follow-up
- ❖ Complaint
- ❖ Contract

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1. Provider ID 2. Signed Agreement ☐ 3. Comments for Signed Agreement 4.

Provider Name 5. Date for Monitoring 6. Type of Monitoring 7.

Facility Type1 8. Significant Findings ☐ 9. Comments for Significant Findings 10.

Facility Type2 11. POC Complete ☐ 12. General Comments 13.

Facility Type3 14. Date for Follow-up 15.

Facility Type4 16. Reviewer: 17.

Facility Type5 18. Add Record 19. Find Record 20. Save Record 21. Close Form

Facility Type6 22. Record: 65 of 65

Facility Type7 23.

Facility Type8 24.

Facility Type9 25.

Facility Type10 26.

Future Database

- ❖ Build one database for all to access!
- ❖ Ensure up-to-date information across all departments
- ❖ Generate comprehensive reports for internal and/or external purposes
- ❖ Use consumer-based or provider-based data to refine service authorization and utilization

With most pieces in place,
where will we all go from here?



To Consider

- ❖ How can you use your data to report to external sources, including area board, state, county commissioners and other stakeholders?
- ❖ How can you use your data to report to internal sources, including management and other LME departments?
- ❖ Overall, what do you want to accomplish with data collected through these efforts?

Questions?

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